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### EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

| Extension for response within: | Other than small entity Fee | Small entity Fee (if applicable) |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| _____ First month              | \$ 110.00                   | \$ 55.00                         |
| _____ Second month             | \$ 410.00                   | \$ 205.00                        |
| _____ Third month              | \$ 930.00                   | \$ 465.00                        |
| _____ Fourth month             | \$1,450.00                  | \$ 725.00                        |
| _____ Fifth month              | \$1,970.00                  | \$ 985.00                        |

Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

*(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)*

\_\_\_\_\_ An extension of \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

OR

- (b) ☒ \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

|   | (Col. 1)<br>CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT | (Col. 2)<br>HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | (Col. 3)<br>PRESENT<br>EXTRA | SMALL ENTITY<br>ADDITIONAL<br>RATE FEE | OR | OTHER THAN<br>SMALL ENTITY<br>ADDITIONAL<br>RATE FEE |
|---|---|---|------------------------------|--|----|--|
| TOTAL                                     | MINUS   | =   |                              | x \$9 = \$                             |    | x \$18 = \$  |
| INDEP.                                    | MINUS   | =   |                              | x \$42 = \$                            |    | x \$84 = \$  |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM |   |   |                              | + \$140 = \$                           |    | + \$280 = \$   |
|   |   |   |                              | TOTAL ADDITIONAL<br>FEE \$             | OR | TOTAL ADDITIONAL<br>FEE \$                           |

- (a)   X   No additional fee for Claims is required

**OR**

- (b)        Total additional fee for claims required \$

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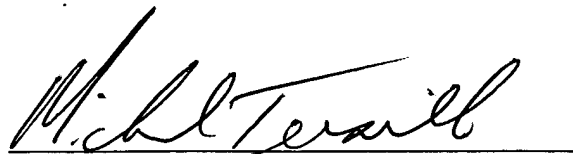
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**AND/OR**

- ✓   If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.
7.        Other:



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In response to the Office Action dated March 26, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete paragraph 24 and replace with the following replacement paragraph 24.

[0024] Figure 4 is a front view of a wedge apparatus 80 in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention. Figure 5 is a top view of wedge apparatus 80 and Figure 6 is a side view of wedge apparatus 80. Referring to Figures 4, 5, and 6, wedge apparatus 80 includes, in an exemplary embodiment, a first tapered wedge segment 82 having a first end portion 84 and a second end portion 86, and a second tapered wedge segment 88 having a first end portion 90 and a second end portion 92. First and second wedge segments 82 and 88 are joined at second end portions 86 and 92 to form a substantially U-shaped body 94. Wedge apparatus 80 also includes a slot 96 defined by the area between first and second wedge segments 82 and 88. Slot 96 extends from first end portions 84 and 90 to joined second end